

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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Dear Manufacturers and Retailers:

The Energy Commission is updating the Appliance Efficiency Database to reflect which appliances may be sold or offered for sale in California. This letter is to notify you that LED lamps (light bulbs) are not currently a regulated appliance under Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations and are, therefore, not required to be listed in the database.

In advance of new regulations and requirements for state-regulated LED lamps that will go into effect on January 1, 2018, LED light bulbs used for general purpose lighting that are listed in the Appliance Efficiency Database shall be removed from the database by March 15, 2016. By removing products that are not required to be in the database, the Commission will eliminate existing market confusion resulting from the database's inclusion of some, but not all, unregulated LED products.

The Energy Commission will publish instructions and templates to certify those products and begin accepting LED lamp certification data in time for the January 1, 2018 effective date. The Commission may allow early compliance for data acceptance beginning January 1, 2017. The website may be checked periodically for updates. The new requirements for state-regulated LED lamps will be published in California Code of Regulations, Title 20, sections 1601-1607, and can be viewed online at:

http://energy.ca.gov/business_meetings/2016_packets/2016-01-27/Item_03_SDDL_and_LED_Lamp_Documents/Item%203%20Notice_and_Revised_15Day_Language.pdf.

Regulated LED luminaires (fixtures), such as portable luminaires with built-in LEDs, and high efficacy LED luminaires certified under Title 24, Joint Appendix 8, will not be removed from the database.

No action is required on your part for the removal of LED lamp listings from the database.

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Sincerely,



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